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SUBJ: RP OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH SEMINAR

REF: (A) SNOW'S LETTER TO LINDAHL, (B) SNOW'S LETTER TO NUESA

1. RECEIVED AUGUST 10 LETTER FROM UNDERSECRETARY INCIONG PROPOSING FOLLOWING OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH SEMINAR PER REF B. A. TIMING OF SEMINAR NOVEMBER 21-25, 1977 FOR 5 DAYS. B. SPONSORING AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF LABOR/BUREAU OF LABOR STANDARDS C. SUBJECT MATTER: 1. DETECTION AND ASSESSMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS; 2. COLLECTION OF AIR SAMPLES; 3. LABORATORY ANALYSIS OF SAMPLES; 4. EVALUATION OF LABORATORY RESULTS; 5. DEVELOPMENT OF CONTROL MEASURES. D. NUMBER AND LEVEL OF PARTICIPANTS; NOT MORE THAN 20, ALL PROFESSIONALS. E. NUMBER OF US EXPERTS: MINIMUM OF TWO FROM NIOSH AND CSHA.

2. THE PROPOSAL WILL REQUIRE A GREAT DEAL OF INSTRUMENTATION. AVAILABLE AT THE GOP DOL ARE A FEW OLD INSTRUMENTS WHICH YOUR EXPERTS MAY FIND INADEQUATE AND OUT-MODED THUS MAKING OUR TRAINING LESS EFFECTIVE. THEREFORE, THEY FEEL, MINIMUM TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN THE FORM OF FIELD AND LABORATORY INSTRUMENTS AND LABORATORY SUPPLIES WOULD BE IN ORDER. UNCLASSIFIED

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3. IN A SEPARATE CONVERSATION WITH SECRETARY INCIONG HE INQUIRED AS TO THE POSSIBILITY OF THE US DOL PROVIDING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE GOP DOL MEDIATION AND CONCILLIATION SERVICE. INCIONG FEELS THAT THE QUALITY OF THIS SERVICE IS IN NEED OF IMPROVEMENT. PLEASE INFORM IF US DOL CAN HELP AND IF SO, HOW.

INCIONG PREPARING A LETTER ABOUT THEIR SPECIFIC NEED WHICH WE SHOULD HAVE IN ABOUT ONE WEEK. STULL

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